Amendment to the Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute to H.R. 263 Offered by Mr. Graves of Louisiana

At the end of the bill, insert the following -

Sec. 7. Cat-astrophe

"In addition to the Big Cat Public Safety Crisis, the President shall declare a National Energy Crisis when the national average of retail fuels exceeds \$5.00 per gallon and the Department of Labor measures Consumer Price Index increase of above 8.6% over the previous year and shall exercise full authority to:

- a) remove federal administrative obstacles and increase exploration and production of all domestic energy resources, including holding lease sales on acreage identified as suitable for development and full evaluation of plans to develop critical mineral resources on federal lands;
- b) implement measures to expedite safe transportation of energy resources across the country and with allied nations, including opportunities to expedite cross-jurisdictional Right of Way permits for renewable and conventional energy projects; and
- c) develop a modern energy reserve strategy to temper price spikes and volatility which should include the role of renewable sources, next generation nuclear, a refined product reserve, and other solutions."